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On 9 July, one Madji Koerdi arrived in Singapore from Tembilakan for the purpose of speaking with Dr. Cetoyo regarding the purchase of a fourth speedboat for Indragiri. Dr. Cetoyo could have supplied ten speedboats without difficulty since sufficient money had been sent from Rengat. He presented Koerdi with a bill which indicated that Rengat still owed \$49,000 for the three other boats. Hadji Koerdi said that the copra for the payment of this bill was in the ship "Mata Hari". A few days later when the "Mata Hari" docked and the cargo finally arrived in Singapore, the cargo was sold for \$102,300. Of this amount, \$85,000 was given to the Indonesian Office. The four speedboats in question were thus paid for and will be sent as quickly as possible to Sumatra. Captain Batjok will bring the boats to Indragiri.

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